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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Add the following new claims:

17. (New) A luminescently labeled component of an aqueous liquid comprising a Juminescent dye selected from the group consisting of cyanine, merocyanine and styryl dyes containing at least one sulphonate or sulphonic acid attached to an aromatic nucleus said dye being covalently reactive with and being bound to said component.